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Title: SPLITTING A PRINT JOB FOR IMPROVING PRINT SPEED

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Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicants in order to comply with Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56.

A copy of each non-U.S. patent document and each non-patent document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

A copy of each listed un-published application filed prior to June 30, 2003 that is not stored in the USPTO's Image File Wrapper (IFW) system is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98.

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The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(c), before the mailing date of either a final action under 37 CFR §1.113, a notice of allowance under 37 CFR §1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application.

RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Any document listed on the attached PTO-1449 was cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding German application. A copy of the German Search Report, along with an English translation thereof, is attached setting forth the portion of each document considered relevant by the examiner. An English-language counterpart of the foreign-language documents has been provided where readily available. The absence of a translation or an English-language counterpart document does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider any submitted document (37 CFR §1.98 and MPEP§609).

Reference 1L is a German patent publication. A copy of a corresponding, unpublished U.S. Patent Application is submitted herewith.

An English translation of Reference 1Q is not readily available.

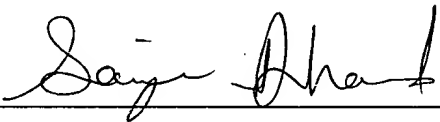
Applicants respectfully request that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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A fee in connection with submission of an information disclosure statement under 37 CFR §1.97(c) in the amount of \$180.00 in accordance with 37 CFR §1.17(p) is attached.

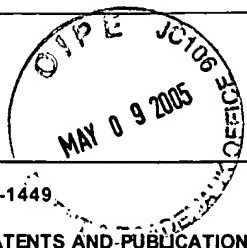
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	1A			
	1B			
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	1I			
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	TRANSLATION	
					YES	NO
	1L	DE19849962A1	02/25/1998	Spohn & Tuthill	x	
	1M					
	1N					
	1O					
	1P					

OTHER REFERENCES (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

	1Q	GOLDMANN, Gerd Dr.: "Das Druckerbuch, Océ Printing Systems GmbH," Edition 4c, October 1999, ISBN:3-00-001019-X, pp. 12-16 and 12-17
	1R	
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